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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the parent application, U.S. Serial No. 10/269,473 filed October 11, 2002, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

Applicants respectfully request that the references supplied in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 in the above-referenced parent application, as well as those cited during its examination, be made of record. Copies of the documents will be found in the above-referenced parent application. For the convenience of the Examiner, the references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

It is respectfully requested that the parent application and the references cited therein be considered in the examination of this application and that their consideration be made of written record in the application file.

## CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8 I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, March 19, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Gregory P. Austin (Name of Person Mailing Paper) March 19, 2004 (Date)

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